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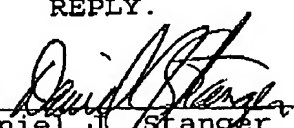
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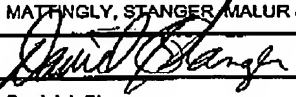
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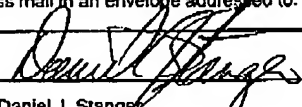
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| First Named Inventor | Y. SEKI |
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| 1014 300 | 2014 150 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1005 200 | 2005 100 | Provisional filing fee | |
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| 1112 100 | 2112 50 | Design Search fee | |
| 1113 300 | 2113 150 | Plant Search fee | |
| 1114 500 | 2114 250 | Reissue Search fee | |
| 1311 200 | 2311 100 | Utility Ex. fee | |
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| 1313 150 | 2313 75 | Plant Ex. fee | |
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| SUBTOTAL (1) | | | 0.00 |

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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| 12 | - 20 = | x 50 | = |
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| 1202 50 | 2202 25 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 200 | 2201 100 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 300 | 2203 150 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 200 | 2204 100 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 50 | 2205 25 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |
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| 1052 50 | 2052 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 130 | 2053 65 | Non-English specification | |
| 1081 250 | 2081 125 | Utility Application Size fee - for each 50 over 100 | |
| 1082 250 | 2082 125 | Design Application Size fee - for each 50 over 100 | |
| 1812 2,520 | 2812 1,260 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 1804 920* | 2804 460* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action | |
| 1805 1,840* | 2805 920* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 120 | 2251 60 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 450 | 2252 225 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 1020 | 2253 510 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 1,590 | 2254 795 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 2,160 | 2255 1,080 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 500 | 2401 250 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 500 | 2402 250 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 1000 | 2403 500 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 1,510 | 2451 755 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 500 | 2452 250 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 1,500 | 2453 750 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
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| 1502 800 | 2502 400 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 1,100 | 2503 550 | Plant issue fee | |
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| 1809 790 | 2809 395 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 790 | 2810 395 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 2, 2006, please amend the
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